Ventura County 99s Yahoo Group

The purpose of our Yahoo Group is to provide communication between Chapter members and their close associates, (primarily members of other Chapters). If you are a female pilot, a female student pilot, or someone who has a specific connection to our particular Chapter, we welcome your membership and participation in our online correspondence.

Note: If your interest is to learn about our Pilot Proficiency Classes or our Silent Auction, that information can be found on our Chapter website: http://vc99s.org/

How to Join
1. Go to http://groups.yahoo.com/group/vc99s
2. Click on "join this group" button on right side of page.
3. In the "Comment to Owner" box, include: your **First and Last Names**, who you are, and why you want to join.

More Detailed Instructions
1. Type "Yahoo groups" into your browser and you will reach http://groups.yahoo.com/
2. In the search box type "VC99s."
3. The search results box will now show "VC99s." Click on this link.
4. Click the "join this group" button on the right side of the page.
5. Include both your **First and Last Names** in the "Comment to Owner" box along with who you are and why you want to join. For example, I am Jane Flysalot, a new member, a member of another 99s Chapter, a student pilot considering membership, and so on.
6. Complete information will allow the List Moderators to approve you right away.

Now That You're Approved
There are many members on our list server, so we appreciate your cooperation in reducing e-mail inbox clutter. Please review the following use policies carefully.

Our Policies for Use
Addressing E-Mails:
1) To reach *everyone*, send to vc99s@yahoogroups.com
2) To reach *one person*, or just a few: send to their specific e-mail addresses.

Sending and Replying to E-Mails:
1) Reply to *Sender* rather than "Reply All," unless it is important for *everyone* to see your message. Examples: An e-mail asks members to supply cell phone numbers; reply only to the sender. An e-mail asks for volunteers to work at an event; reply only to the Sender.
2) Fill in the Subject line. Never send an email through the List Server with a blank Subject line.
3) Sign your full name. Many people have similar first names and many people have e-mail monikers that bear no relation to their real names (e.g. gr8flyer, flyergirl, gr82avi8, pilot99, Lexpert).

Forwarding E-Mails:
1) Avoid forwarding an e-mail that requires the recipient to follow several links to reach the message. Just forward the original e-mail or do not send it, as most people may have already seen it. Use a cut-

and-paste technique so you do not pass on other people's addresses unless you want the recipients to know the source of the original e-mail.

2) Make sure the Subject line reflects the content. Never forward emails with blank subject lines.

3) Identify the content of all forwarded e-mails at the beginning of your message. Write your own introductory comment: Examples: "Fwd re Class Bravo airspace changes," or "Fwd SFV99s message re Oct flyouts." Avoid: "FYI" or "forwarding e-mail", or "Thought you'd like this one." Sign your name at the end. Spammers cannot fake your name.

4) Check out whether a story is true BEFORE forwarding. A local favorite which can be used for checking is www.snopes.com

Topics:

1) Send e-mails concerning only aviation-related topics or information relating to Ninety-Nines and our activities.

2) Please avoid:

a. Jokes.

b. Anything off color.

c. Anything you'd never want to see in the newspaper with your name on it.

d. Chain letters.

e. Charitable appeals *not* related to general aviation or the 99s.

f. More than one or two photo attachments. Just upload the photos to Shutterfly, Snapfish, KodakPictureGallery or a similar service and send a short e-mail to the group indicating that the photos (aviation-related or 99s-related) are available for viewing. Many of the people on our group have dial up connections and cannot handle large attachments without tying up their e-mail accounts.

g. E-mails with more than one photo embedded.

h. Videos or links to videos through the group, unless they are videos of 99s. Share aviation videos only with individual recipients.

i. Political commentary, unless the issue/proposal is specifically directed at or affects: airports, pilots or general aviation.

j. Virus and fraud alerts. McAfee and Norton and others are in the virus protection business, we are not. At various times the SFV99s list server has been flooded with multiple bogus virus and fraud alerts from well meaning members. Almost without exception any e-mail you receive about a fraud scheme or a virus or worm, is false.

k. E-mails with blank subject matter or exclamation marks in the subject matter field. Spam e-mails and e-mails with viruses or worms often have blank subject matters or contain exclamation marks. Most junk mail filters block these e-mails or put them in the junk mail folder.

References:

1) Your sister 99s' e-mail addresses are listed in the International 99s online directory: www.ninety-nines.org/index.html.   The directory is in the "Members Only Area." It will require you to log in, but once you're registered, the entire site is a wonderful resource!

2) If you cannot read attachments created in Word, PowerPoint, or Excel 2007, download the Microsoft Office Compatibility Pack for Word, Excel, and PowerPoint 2007 File Formats at: http://www.microsoft.com/downloads/details.aspx?FamilyID=941b3470-3ae9-4aee-8f43-c6bb74cd1466&displaylang=en.

3) Interested in Section information? Visit www.sws99s.org/ to learn more about the Southwest Section.